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Art Unit: 1653
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For: BOTULINUM TOXIN THERAPY)
FOR HASHIMOTO'S)
THYROIDITIS)
Irvine, California

NONPROVISIONAL PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL LETTER

BOX PATENT APPLICATION
Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Transmitted herein for filing under 37 C.F.R. 1.53(b) is a nonprovisional (continuation) patent application for the invention entitled BOTULINUM TOXIN THERAPY FOR HASHIMOTO'S THYROIDITIS invented by Martin A. Voet and Stephen Donovan, which is a continuation in part of application serial number 09/512,110, filed February 24, 2000, which is a continuation in part of the application serial number 09/504,538, filed February 15, 2000.

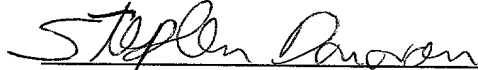
This application includes: (1) a 35-page specification with 13 claims; (2) a 2-page transmittal letter; (3) a 1-page original, executed Declaration of inventorship and power of attorney from the inventors; (4) an assignment of the application with an assignment recordal cover sheet; (5) copies of the information disclosure statements filed in the two prior patent applications identified above, without copies of the art cited therein, and; (6) a return postcard; *and (7) a 1 page Letter to Examiner*

Applicants hereby claim the benefit under 35 U.S.C. §120 from the prior patent applications serial number 09/512,110, filed February 24, 2000 and serial number 09/504,538, filed February 15, 2000.

The filing fee is calculated as \$740.00 and should be charged to our deposit account number 01-0885.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional and necessary fees as required for the filing, processing or any time during the pendency of this application, to credit any overpayment to, Deposit Account number 01-0885.

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LETTER TO EXAMINER

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Dear Sir:

The Examiner's Amendment attached to the Notice of Allowance and Issue fee due in the parent application serial number 09/512,110, states that "The prior art of record does not teach or suggest a method for treating Hashimoto's thyroiditis comprising the local administration of a botulinum toxin. Since all claims in the present application are limited to a method for treating Hashimoto's thyroiditis comprising the local administration of a botulinum toxin, all the claims 1-13 in the present application are in condition for allowance.

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